Cello Class Syllabus, MUSI 495/695
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Grading Policy:
Your grade will be determined on your attendance, the effort and intensity of your preparation in both technical and musical ways, and your performances. There will be no final exam, unless specifically assigned by mid-term.

Overall Course Objectives:
You will have a unique course of study determined by both strategic goals and repertoire, to prepare you for a life as a cellist. You will then set up a schedule for how you will achieve these goals, in consultation with Mr. Fischer. By the end of the course, you should feel that you are closer to your overall objectives of becoming a better Musician, Athlete and Performer.

Absence Policy:
You will be required to attend all scheduled lessons and classes, all class recitals, all recitals by cellists in the studio and all concerts Mr. Fischer plays at Shepherd School. If you are unable to attend one of these events, I need to hear from you BEFORE by text or e-mail with the reason for your absence.

There are no required texts for this course, however you must acquire the music that you will study, both scores and parts.
You are required to perform at least once per semester in one of the class recitals. This semester they are scheduled for:
Saturday, September 20 @ 8:00 pm. In Duncan Recital Hall
Sunday, October 5@ 8:00 p.m. in Duncan Recital Hall
Tuesday, November 23 @ 8:00 p.m. in Duncan Recital Hall

You are also required to perform professionally outside of the school, opportunities should be cleared with Mr. Fischer before contracting.

All work should be of the highest quality and subject to the Rice Honor Code.

Any student with a disability that requires accommodation should contact Mr. Fischer and the Disability Support Services at the Allen Center.

Information contained in this course syllabus, other than absence policies, may be subject to change with reasonable advance notice, as deemed appropriate by Mr. Fischer.